Naxalite activities in Karnataka

905. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that naxalites have started their activities in Karnataka especially Chikmangalur, South Kanara, Udippi and North Kanara districts; and

(b) how Government proposes to stop these activities before it gets firmly entrenched in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) In 2007, till 31-10-2007, 6 incidents of naxalite violence have been reported in Karnataka. In 2006, 10 incidents had been reported from areas falling in 6 police stations, out of a total number of 805 police stations in the State.

The concerned State Governments undertake necessary action in respect of naxalite activities. The Central Government supplements their efforts and resources by various means, which include sanctioning of India Reserve battalions, assistance for strengthening of the State police and intelligence agencies, sharing of intelligence, bringing about inter-state coordination and assistance in development works.

1 India Reserve battalion has been sanctioned to Karnataka. The State Government has also formed a dedicated anti-naxalite force consisting of 540 personnel.

Updating of NRC in Assam

906. KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the updating of National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government will make a proposal on the modalities for updating NRC under the citizenship Act and rules 2003 as well as a proposal in regard to the modalities for determination of citizenship as per the stipulation of the said rules so that if necessary the relevant Act and rules can be amended?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) to (c) The Government of Assam has reported that preliminary works for updating the National Register of Citizens (NRC), 1951 have been started. The data entry of the available electoral rolls upto 1971 and the NRC as available has also been taken up. The State Government has been advised to work out the modalities in this regard.

Tense situation in villages along Assam-Nagaland border

907. KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the situation continues to be tense in the villages along the Assam-Nagaland border under Jorhat district of Assam;